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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

[ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

[ ] A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

[x] No additional fee is required.

| For | Claims Remaining After Amendment | Highest No. Previously Paid For | Present Extra | Rate (Small Entity) | Addit. Fee | Rate | Addit. Fe |
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| TOTAL CLAIMS | 78 | 78 | 0 | x 9 = | $0 | x 18 = | $0 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 1 | 3 | 1 | x 42 = | $0 | x 84 = | $0 |
| [] First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim | | | | 140 | | 280 | $0 |

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